

Title 23: Division of Medicaid

Part 200: General Provider Information

Part 200 Chapter 5: General

Rule 5.4: Tobacco Cessation

- A. The Division of Medicaid covers up to twelve (12) in-person or telehealth tobacco cessation counseling sessions per State Fiscal Year, when provided by:
1. A physician, or
 2. Other licensed practitioner that has prescriptive authority, operating within their scope of practice.
- B. Tobacco Cessation Medications - The following types of tobacco cessation medications are covered in the Mississippi Medicaid program:
1. Over-the-counter nicotine products,
 2. Legend or prescription nicotine replacement products,
 3. Bupropion Hydrochloride, and
 4. Varenicline Tartrate.
- B. A physician's prescription will be required for all legend and over-the-counter tobacco cessation medications. Each prescription will count toward the monthly limit.
- C. The Division of Medicaid will monitor the beneficiary's utilization of tobacco cessation products for over utilization or misuse; and in instances where there are patterns suggesting over utilization or misuse, the prescribing physician(s) will be contacted for justification of medical necessity.

Source: Miss. Code Ann. § 43-13-121

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